

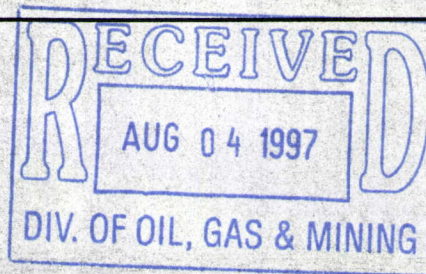


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Date: July 31, 1997

Preston Bown
Utah Building Stone
842 West, 400 North
Bouniful, Utah 84078

Dear Preston,

I have checked with Pete, my boss, here at this office and Lynn Kunzler at Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining about your proposal to purchase float stone from the Forest Service in the Lynn Springs area. Pete and I believe that the Dove Creek and Lynn Springs quarries should receive all of your efforts to get under approved Plans of Operations and bonded before we can consider allowing you to start another stone operation on the National Forest. We understand that Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining is requiring you to reclaim quarry areas that you now have open and have no bond coverage. Lynn has told me that the Divisions position is that you open no new quarries until the required reclamation is completed.

At this time Pete and I feel that we must say no to your stone purchase request. This could change when the Plans of Operation and bonding discussed above are brought to conclusion. Also it will help your request if you have satisfied the requirements of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Sincerely,

Gordon Struthers
Minerals Management Specialist

cc:Lynn Kunzler DOGM

